ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF HEALTH EFFECTS OF FIRE

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The Advisory Council reviews the work of the Center for the Study of Health Effects of Fire. The Council also advises the Center's Director concerning the scientific evaluation of information collected by the Center and helps the Center set research priorities.

The Council's seven members are appointed to five-year terms by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene with Senate advice and consent (Code Health—General Article, secs. 18-706 through 18-710).

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

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The office of Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services was established in 1987. The Deputy Secretary is responsible for six administrations: AIDS; Alcohol and Drug Abuse; Community Health Surveillance and Laboratories; Developmental Disabilities; Local and Family Health; and Mental Hygiene.

AIDS ADMINISTRATION

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Established in 1987 as the AIDS Control Administration, the Aids Administration received its present name in 1988. The Administration provides public education and surveillance, professional education, and patient support services for persons with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). The Administration consults and coordinates its work with twenty-four local health departments. Each local health department has counseling and testing sites where free tests and free consultations are available.

The Administration funds clinical activities for the diagnosis and evaluation of patients with AIDS. It also administers grants to community organizations for gay and minority outreach efforts. The work of the Administration is carried out by two main offices: Health Services; and Epidemiology and Prevention.

HEALTH SERVICES

Eric M. Fine, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Director (410) 225-6804

Health Services was formed in July 1987 to support early intervention services for persons infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), the virus which causes AIDS, and for persons at risk of infection. Health Services provides seropositive medical and psychosocial follow-up services. The agency also trains and educates health care professionals and devises policies, plans, and funding for HIV-related health services. Health Services operates through three divisions: Professional Education and Health Services; AIDS Services, Planning and Development; and Quality Assessment and Improvement.

DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES Vacancy, Chief

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In 1991, the Division of Professional Education and Health Services was formed by merging the functions of the Division of Provider Education and Training with the Division of Patient Care Services.

DIVISION OF AIDS SERVICES, PLANNING, & DEVELOPMENT Julia Hidalgo, Sc.D., Chief (410) 225-6755

In 1989, the Division of AIDS Services, Planning, and Development was formed.

DIVISION OF QUALITY ASSESSMENT

& IMPROVEMENT

Joyce Harper, M.D., Chief

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The Division of Quality Assessment and Improvement was created in 1993.

EPIDEMIOLOGY & PREVENTION Joseph Horman, D.V.M., M.P.H., Assistant Director (410) 225-5657

Created in July 1987, Epidemiology and Prevention oversees the Center for AIDS Epidemiology; the Center for AIDS Education; and the Division of HIV Counseling and Testing Services.

CENTER FOR AIDS EPIDEMIOLOGY
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Through case surveillance, epidemiologic investigations, seroprevalence, and other studies, the